

Edenton Town Council Minutes  
July 27, 2020

The Edenton Town Council met on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers for committee meetings. The following members were present: Mayor Pro Tem Elton Bond, Councilman Roger Coleman, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Hackney High, Councilman Craig Miller and Councilman Roscoe Poole. Absent Mayor Jimmy Stallings.

Mayor Pro Tem Elton Bond called the meeting to order.

The Administrative Committee had five items on the agenda.

Councilman High stated that the first item was the grant agreement for the NC Division of Aviation for the Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Update.

Councilman High stated that the Town has been awarded a \$311,922 grant from the NC Division of Aviation to update the Airport's Layout Plan with no local cash match required. He stated that the FAA requires all general aviation airports to update the ALP periodically and each time the requirements for the plan are more comprehensive.

Aviation Engineer, Jay Talbert, with Talbert & Bright was with the Town Council via zoom to give an overview of the ALP project. A new component is an Aerial Survey and Mapping, consistent with FAA rules, that will be performed by a subcontractor at the cost of \$86,000.

The Administrative Committee is requested to review and consider recommending the Grant Agreement for approval by Council at the August 11th Regular Council Meeting. The Airport Commission reviewed this project with Jay via zoom at the Commission's July 15th meeting.

The item was recommended for approval at the next regular Council meeting.

Councilman High stated that the next item was the approval of work authorization for aviation engineering services, ALP update.

Councilman High stated that the Division of Aviation has reviewed and approved the Work Authorization for Talbert & Bright to perform the work needed to complete the ALP.

The item was recommended for approval at the next regular Council meeting.

Councilman High stated that the next item was the approval of work authorization for final design, Parallel Taxiway Project.

Councilman High stated that the Town has an existing NC Division of Aviation grant for this project. The next phase of the grant is the final design of the Parallel Taxiway for Airport Runway 1-9. This phase will include preparing bid documents and engineering design for construction of the parallel taxiway.

Jay Talbert briefed the Town Council on this project. Talbert & Bright completed the preliminary design, which the Division of Aviation recently approved. This work authorization is for \$97,248 plus \$1,900 in allowance for permitting fees and bid specification advertisement. No local cash match required.

The estimated cost to construct the parallel taxiway is \$1.9 Million. It is estimated that the project will be ready to bid in approximately 6 months.

The item was recommended for approval at the next regular Council meeting.

Councilman High stated that the next item was an amendment to the docking agreement for the Liber-Tea.

Captain Mark Thesier was present and reviewed proposed amendment to the docking agreement for the Liber-Tea, the electric tour boat that he has been operating at the waterfront. He presented to the Town Council his decision to invest in expanding his business by adding a second tour boat. This boat, the Lady Edenton, is larger than the Liber-Tea. He stated that this investment will add more tours and offer more opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy the waterways of Edenton Bay and beyond.

The item was recommended for approval at the next regular Council meeting.

Councilman High stated that the last item was the Technical Assistance Agreement, Visions.

He stated that Council will need to approve the agreement for technical services to assist the Town with the establishment of the Human Relations Commission and the development of a plan to address social equity and bridge the gap and improve racial harmony to make Edenton better.

The item was recommended for approval at the next regular Council meeting.

Next on the agenda was the Public Works Committee.

Councilman Miller stated that the first item was a presentation from Brandon Woodley, High School Intern, on the accomplishments he has while working at the Public Works Department.

Brandon Woodley gave an overview presentation on a number of projects, primarily data collection for the Public Works and Electric Department's transition from inventory of hard copies of maps and plans and work on the Utility Cloud system. Brandon Woodley will be graduating from NEAAAT and College of the Albemarle and will be attending NC State in the Fall majoring in Bioprocessing.